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2. Papers Enclosed

A. Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. 1.153 (Design) Application

18 Page(s) of Specification

7 Page(s) of Claims

5 Sheet(s) of Drawing(s)--Formal

B. Other Papers Enclosed

2 Page(s) of declaration and power of attorney

1 Page(s) of abstract

3. Additional Papers Enclosed

Information Disclosure Statement (37 C.F.R. 1.98)

Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)

4. Transmittal of Certified Copy

Attached please find the certified copy of the foreign application from which priority is claimed for this case:

Country: Japan

Application Number: 2000-205725

Filing Date: July 6, 2000

5. Assignment

An assignment of the invention to **International Business Machines Corporation; Armonk, NY** is attached. A separate "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT (DOCUMENT) ACCOMPANYING NEW PATENT APPLICATION" is also attached. ✓

6. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16)

Regular Application

CLAIMS AS FILED

Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 CFR 1.16(a) \$710.00
Total Claims	21	20	1	\$18.00	\$18.00
Independent Claims	8	3	5	\$80.00	\$400.00
Multiple Dependent Claims					\$0.00
Filing Fee Calculation					\$1,128.00

7. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time

Enclosed

Filing Fee \$1,128.00

Recording assignment (\$40; 37 C.F.R. Section 1.21(h)) (See \$40.00
attached "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT
ACCOMPANYING NEW APPLICATION".)

Total Fees Enclosed \$1,168.00

8. Method of Payment of Fees

Charge Account No. 09-1990 in the amount of **\$1,168.00**.
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

9. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Account No. 09-1990.

37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees)

37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(b), (c) or (d) (presentation of extra claims)

10. Instructions as to Overpayment

Credit Account No. 09-1990.

Date: 8/1/01



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